THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE V. ESWARAIAH

WRIT PETITION No.21444 OF 1995

DATED: 05-09-2006

BETWEEN

Andhra Bank Officer Union,
3-6-551/1, Street No.7,
Himayatnagar, Hyderabad,
Rep. by its General Secretary.

...PETITIONER

AND

The Andhra Bank,
Rep. by its General Manager (Personnel)
Staff Department, Central Office,
Saifabad, Hyderabad.

...RESPONDENT

ORDER:

The Andhra Bank Officers Union filed this writ petition questioning the Circular No.117 dated 26.07.1995 issued by the respondent – Andhra Bank regarding the absorption of new staff into computer environment subject to certain tests and procedures.

I am of the opinion that the respondent – bank prescribing certain norms for the absorption of new officers having computer skills only, issued the circular, therefore, the existing officers cannot question the same. This Court at the time of the admission of the writ petition observed that the examination as scheduled shall go on but the selections shall be subject to the result of the writ petition and the persons selected shall be notified by the respondents that the selection will the subject to the result of the writ petition.

It is stated that the officers of the petitioner – union might have also participated in the examination.

However, prescribing certain qualifications for absorption of new staff cannot be said as unreasonable and arbitrary in view of the on going changes in the society day by day, which require computer skills. Therefore, I am of the opinion that the grievance of the petitioner – union is not genuine and the writ petition is accordingly dismissed. No costs.

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V. ESWARAIAH, J

September 5, 2006
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